--- “Series of 1880” - Type II - Division “Open” - [A 25] - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- 1/20th pound - *lithographed* in RED on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove ---

--- perforated 12 - 132 x 15 mm. - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 90% scale ---

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John McKay records that 300,000 *lithographed* copies of “**1-20 Red Ribbon Cigarettes**” were ‘delivered’ under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). Apparently he has grouped the 1/20th pound Type I and Type II red strips.

I feel that the *unwatermarked* type II strips listed by in the catalogue are *not* printed on a distinct paper grade, but have simply missed the sheet *block watermark* - either at the top or the bottom of the sheet. I have marked them as *missed the watermark*, and have not given them their catalogue number.

★**RC-33** - 1/20th pound, Division “Open” - [**A 25**], red, control **084087-88**, perforated 12, lithographed on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

★**RC-33** - 1/20th pound, Type II, Open [**A 25**], red, perf 12, control **001984**, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh wove, from the same sheet as the following copy

★**RC-33a** - 1/20th pound, Division “Open” - [**A 25**], red, control **001992**, perforated 12, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper, appears to be *unwatermarked*, a bottom straight-edge copy which has missed the sheet watermark

001981	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
001984★	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
001985	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
001992★	RC-33a	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked, missed the sheet block watermark
084002★	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084005	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084064	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084075-76	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked - a vertical pair
084087-88★	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked - a vertical pair
084103-04	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084105	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084126	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked
084140	RC-33	1/20th pound, red, perforated, block watermarked

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RC-33n - 1/20th pound, Division "Open" - [**A 25**], red, *without* control numbering, perforated 12, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

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The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-numbered* copy of **RC-34** - the *coarse roulette* 1/20th pound Division "Open" strip - on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper - **WANTED!**

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-numbered* copy of the *imperforate* 1/20th pound Division "Open" strip on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper. I can see no legitimate reason for the *control-numbered* existence of *imperforate* strips. Perhaps they had been control numbered, prior to the perforation process, and are simply unfinished remnants.

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-numbered* copy of the *imperforate* 1/20th pound Division "Open" strip on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper. (See above)

Either this has simply missed the sheet *block watermark*, at the top, or on the bottom of the sheet, or actual *unwatermarked* sheets exist - which I doubt. As found in the collection, the strip is an anomaly, and probably does not deserve a separate catalogue number.

★ 1/20th pound, Division "Open" - [**A 25**], red, *without* control numbering, imperforate, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper

★ the collection also contains two complete sheets of twenty-four strips (12 x 2), ★ plus a partial pane of five

★ 1/20th pound, Division "Open" - [**A 25**], red, *without* control numbering, imperforate, the Lee Brandom **C-155 TP** - actually on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper, an *unwatermarked* bottom straight-edged copy, which has simply missed the sheet watermark

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★ 1/20th pound, Division “Open” - [**A 25**], red, *without* control numbering, imperforate,
on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper,
a horizontal pair showing a paper fold, with the consequent mis-print - scanned at 100% scale

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